



Help...
me...

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me...

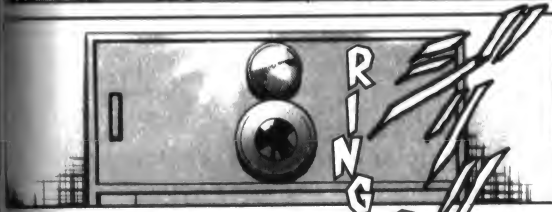
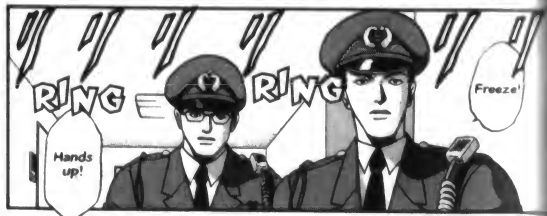
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Hey, lady.
Are you
okay?

What a
lousy day.







I guess Little Mr. Sagano is important to your group.

But is he important to you?

But I'll take the job.

As you know, bodyguards work in my specialty.



Well, I guess no room for me to get between Araki and Kai.

So thanks for helping me. There's no one else I can ask.



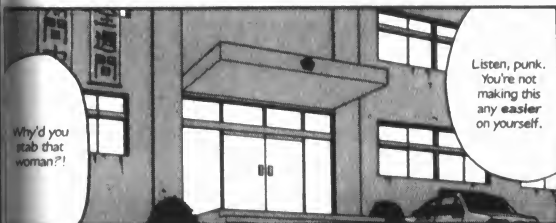
I wonder why he wants me to guard this Kai. Well, I'll figure it out soon enough.

♡



This isn't what it looks like!

It was...an accident!





I hope
your
daddy's
proud of
you.

You may be
high ranking to
your criminal
buddies, but to
the rest of the
world you're
just scum!



Okay?

GRAB

... You'll
only come
up short.



Nobody's
gonna care
about a punk
like him. Guys
like this just
cause trouble
for everyone.



Don't make
too much of a
mess of him.
We'll get in
trouble.



What did
you say!?

.....



Guahh!



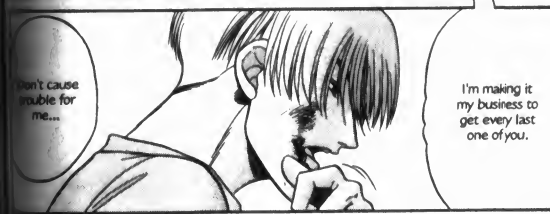
WHAM



KICK

Hey,
little
yakuza.

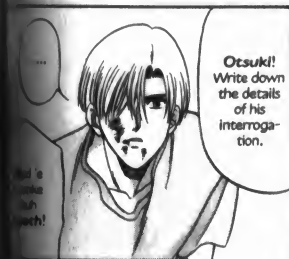
I represent
those little
amateurs
crying in your
shadow.

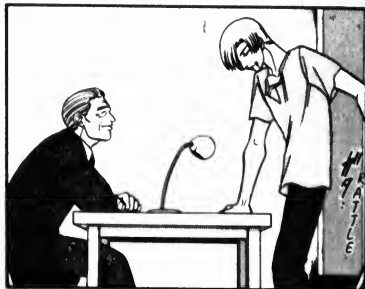


Don't cause
trouble for
me...

I'm making it
my business to
get every last
one of you.







Then why am I still here?



My eyes?

I just wanted to look into your eyes.

Yes. When someone's committed a crime, you can see it in their eyes.



Okay. Will you listen to my side of the story?

Of course. Why do you think I'm sitting here? In fact, I even believe the stabbing was accidental.



Hmph...

Yakuzas suing the police? Don't make me laugh.

Sorry about those two brutes. You can sue them, if you want.



You're not carrying drugs, not dealing, not hurting anyone...

In fact, you seem like a rather average citizen to me.



Your family may be yakuzas, but are you?





I'm not supposed to leave your side!

Hey, hold up!

Araki hired me to look after you.



I have to-- I'm your bodyguard.

Shut up! Don't follow me!!

Hey, are you listening?



Yeah. Someone on the inside is after you, and I'm here to protect you.

Body-guard?



My name is Tashiro.



It's just me.



Araki isn't coming.



...Hello?

SIGH

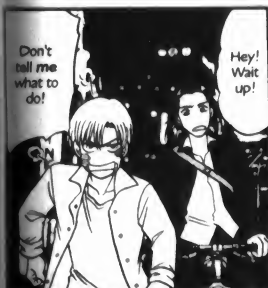


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Good

I'll be over there.



Don't tell me what to do!

Hey! Wait up!



I don't need you! I can take care of myself!



I'm sorry about this, Kai. But I had to return home suddenly.



It's only temporary, so please do what Tashiro says.

WHEN?

Tashiro may be strange, but you can trust him with your life.



Why the hell did Masa stick me with that idiot?

That fake is a bodyguard!? Yeah, right!



I'm seriously going to kill you!

Hey, this is Tashiro.

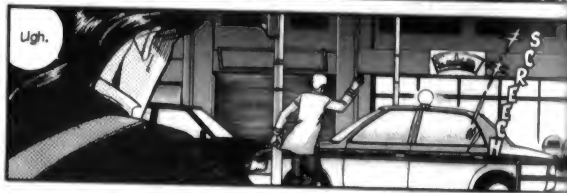
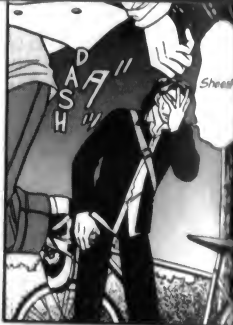
Just take the phone, okay? It's Araki.

Talk to Kai for me, okay?



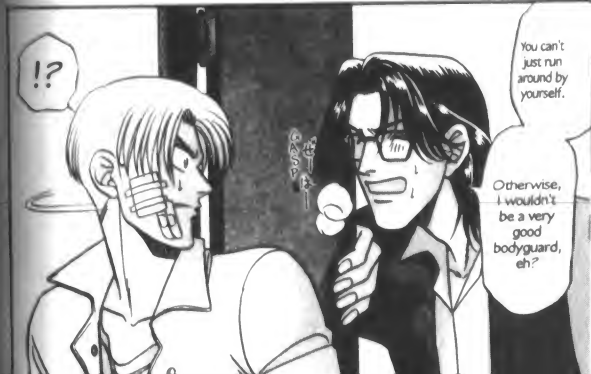
Sigh. I didn't want it to come to this.



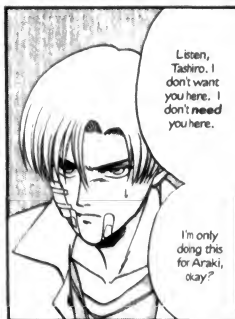




Go away! I never agreed to this!









All that Masa cared
about is his precious
yakuza. But what
about me?



I haven't
forgotten
about him for
an instant.



He's a
liar.



Nice
to
meet
ya.



That
hurt!

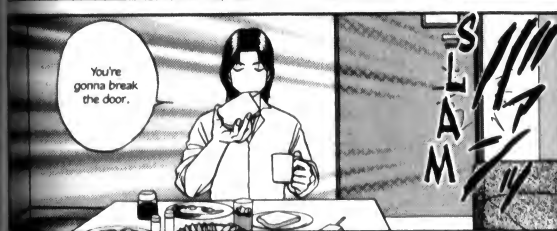


I'll need to be
careful. Even a
tamed cat still
has claws.



He's like
an angry
cat.



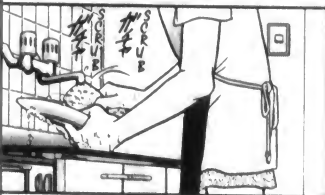




You can do that much, right?

Hold it. You clean your own dishes.

GRAB
ばっ



And don't use too much detergent!



How can anyone who's in love with dreamy Masa be such a jerk!?



He's so funny.



You shut up!



An unrequited love, eh? Too bad.

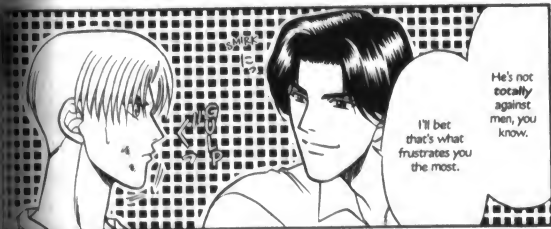
Y'see, Masa's not gay.



A little. I go for the stoic type.

Hmm...

Do you...like Masa?



He's not totally against men, you know.

I'll bet that's what frustrates you the most.



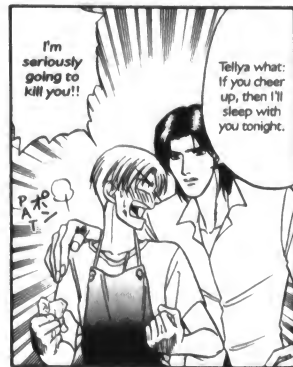
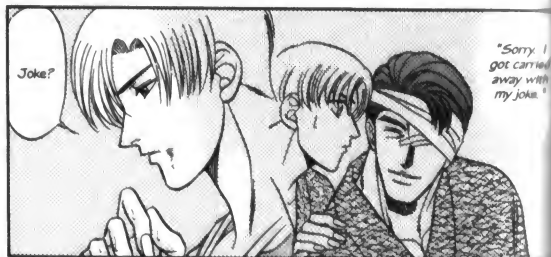
My relationship with Araki has nothing to do with you.

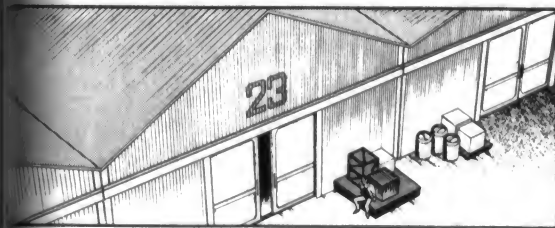
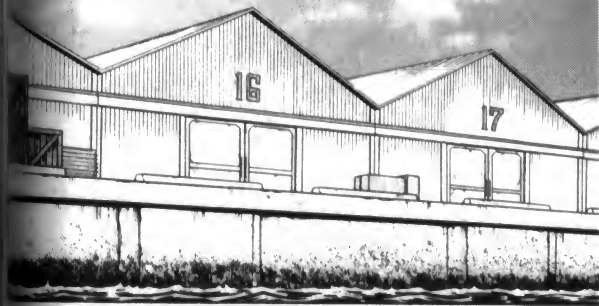
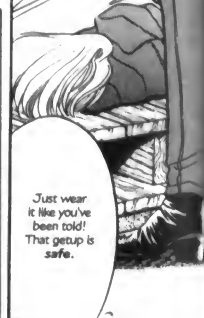
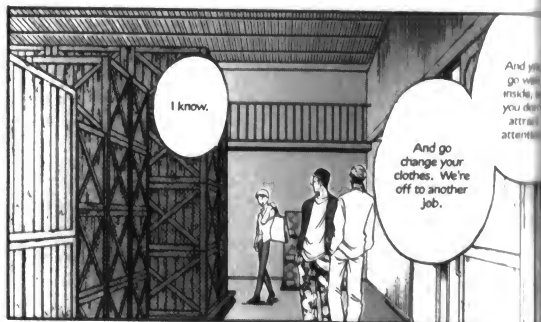


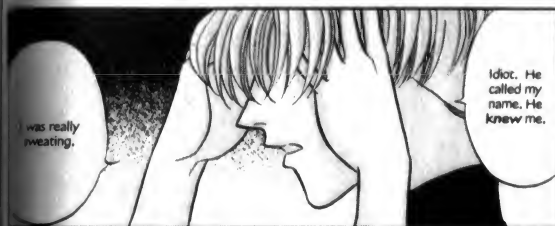
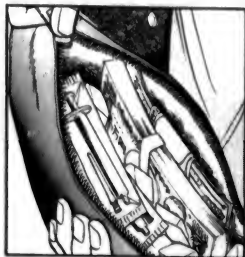
Why not?

Hey, you'd better not make a pass at him!











No excuses.
If anything else
falls short
tonight, you'll
be the one
paying for it.



The
Sagano
brat?

If we can't
use him,
we don't
need him.

And the
"real one"?



What
should we
do? Take
care of
her?

I don't care.
I just want
my business
in order.



WAM



Heh...



I do hope,
for your
sake, that you
sufficiently
covered your
tracks.

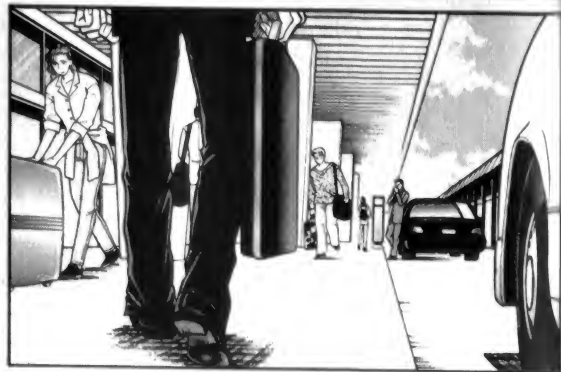


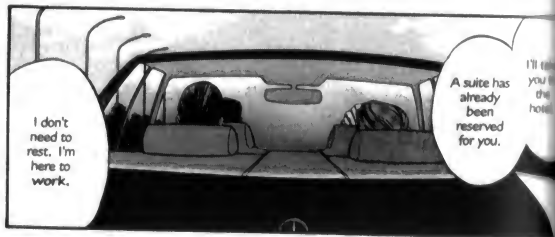
He was
right! I was
tryin'
scare
a little,
and...!



One of
your victims...
a blonde
woman...was
brought in, as
well.

Gaak!

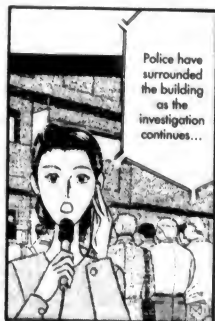






You might be able to get up if you didn't play video games all night! Now wake up!





Police have surrounded the building as the investigation continues...



Did you say something?

The whole world's going crazy.

No, nothing.



The gunshots came from the apartment of a notable yakuza member.



What...!?

That's Kai's building!



Hm?

Kai...



Oh, good. We're awake.

Are you trying to kill me!?



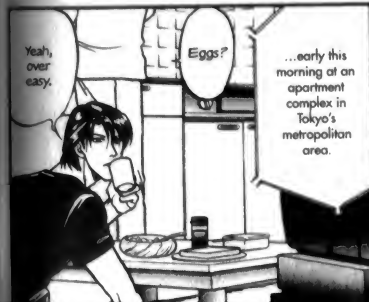
Thanks.

Here, coffee. Drink up.



Maybe you make me crazy.

You're really crazy, you know that?



Yeah, over easy.

Eggs?

...early this morning at an apartment complex in Tokyo's metropolitan area.



...gunshots were fired...



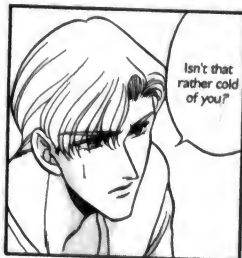
Sagano must have been up to something.

What are you saying? Aren't you worried!?



We don't have to call.

Enj...



Isn't that rather cold of you?



There's nothing we can do about it.



No sense worrying about it until we know for sure.

Half-brother. Besides, even if Kai were hurt I wouldn't be able to see him.

He's your brother!



There are also reports of a shooting incident at the organization's main office in Osaka.



Police believe this may be a sign of infighting within the organization.



What's his phone number? We have to...



No casualties have been reported so far...

What's his number!?



Don't worry about it, Ran.

I'll contact Araki later.



You worry too much.



Huh? Do I?

But if I don't, you just take everything on yourself.



If you jump into anything dangerous without telling me, I'll never forgive you.



Hm?

Enji!!



Ah...
#...
☆

No good can come from getting involved with yakuza.



Don't we know that better than anyone?

I didn't want you—

—to see me like this!!



Sure, I could use a break.

How about taking a day off of work?

Good. It's dangerous out there.



If Enryoji were targeted again...



Why? What's wrong?

Wait! Hold on a second!



Wait a minute...

Hmm... let's do it!

I'll lay off the late shift for a while.

I'll stay home to keep you from worrying.



I give up.

Damn it all!

My eggs! They're ruined!



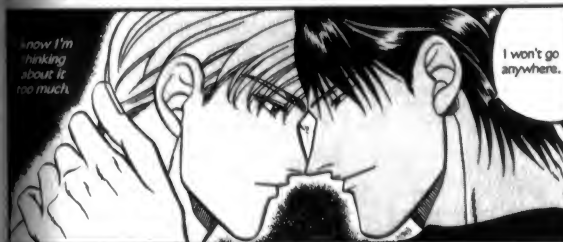
I know.



Yeah.

No matter what happens, you're still a member of the Sagano Family.

If something happens again...



Now I'm thinking about it too much.

I won't go anywhere.



But I can't get rid of this anxiety.

It's all right.



...and I'm
sure the
murder
weapon is
long gone.



I see.
Other than the
ballistics report,
there's no clue
to the killer's
identity...

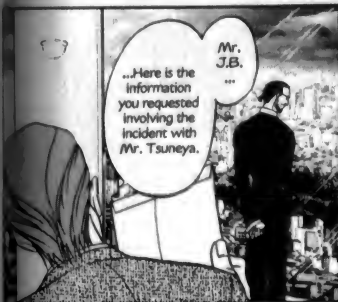
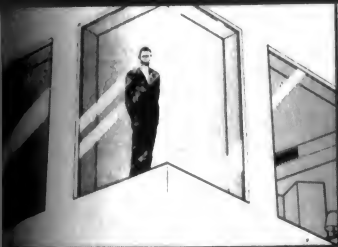


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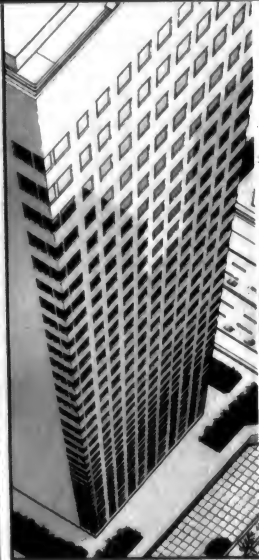
Did he
upset you in
some way?
Over
money,
perhaps?

Mr. J.B.,
we heard
that you and
Mr. Tsuneya
had a little
trouble
before then.



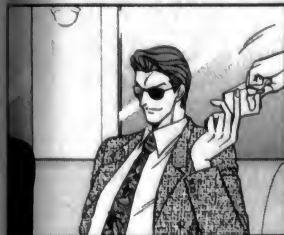
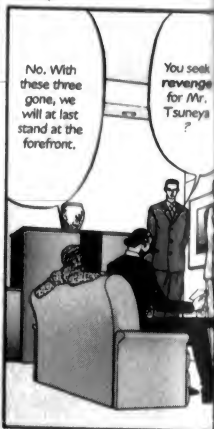
...Here is the
information
you requested
involving the
incident with
Mr. Tsuneya.

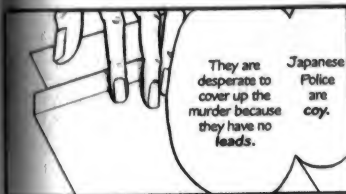
Mr.
J.B.
...



Unfortunately,
the autopsy found
several bullets in
his skull. So far, the
over-efficient police
have been unable
to find the culprit.

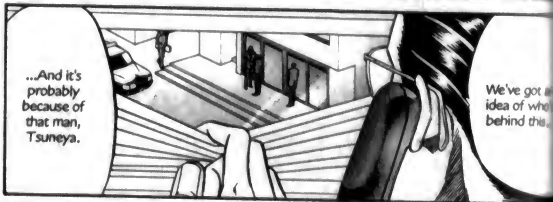
The cover
story is that
Mr. Tsuneya
drunkenly drove
his car into the
ocean and
drowned.







In any
case, lay
low for a
while



...And it's
probably
because of
that man,
Tsuneya.

We've got an
idea of what
behind this.



You
mean,
the guy
I...took
for a
swim?

This is
probably
revenge for
Tsuneya,
yes.



I'm
sure you
remember
him?

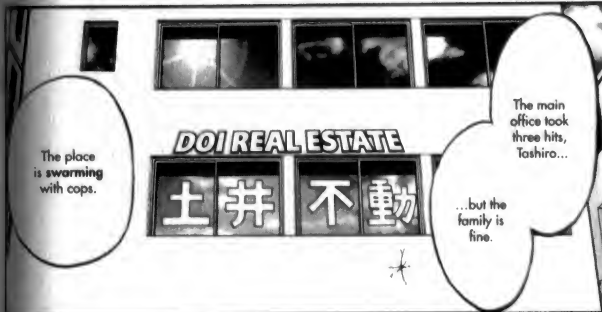


How are
things
there?

That
apartment
house was too
dangerous, so
we're at my
place... Yeah.



Kai's
fine.



The place
is swarming
with cops.

The main
office took
three hits,
Toshiro...

...but the
family is
fine.





Yeah, I got it.

You're in great danger, but for now just look after Kai.

We have to get them before the police do.



Anyway, you want to talk to him?



Ah, okay. See ya.



Tsuneya's underlings have been spreading drugs around Tokyo using the Sagano name.

They're doing a fine job of dishonoring Sagano and **profiting** handsomely from it.



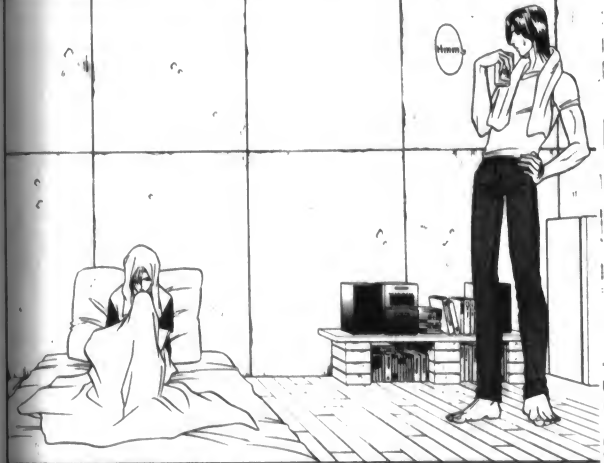
So you, your boss, and...me, huh?

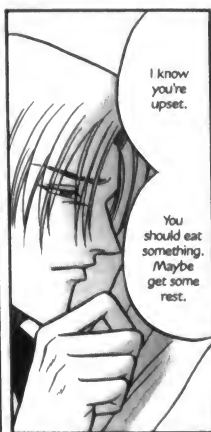
Yes.

That's right.



Their next move will be to kill whoever did the hit on Tsuneya, and the ones that ordered it.







I'm fine now, and I'm being careful.

Tell that to my dad. And tell him that I do appreciate the sentiment.



For my roommate's sake...

I want to stay as far from the yakuza as possible.



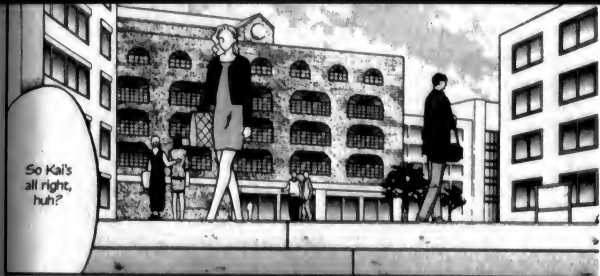
If I see Kai wandering around I'll be sure to grab him.

Please do.



I understand. We'll do our best to keep you out of the picture.

Please be patient. And be careful.



So Kai's all right, huh?



It's already arranged with your father.

Hey, no thanks.

Yes. I'll have someone look after you and Mr. Samejima, too.

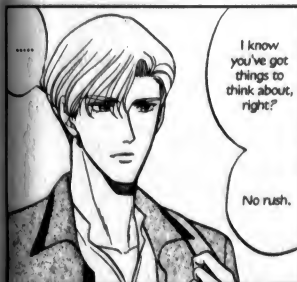


If my dad is so worried about me that he's risking **personal involvement**, that really does make me the son of a yakuza boss.

But we're trying to be **normal**, here.

Look... No offense Araki.









*But I have
this strange
premonition.*

*I tell
myself not
to worry
about it.*



.....



There you
are, Mr.
Enryoji.



Your order
is here.



*Come
home soon,
Enryoji.*



I'll give
you my cell
number, just
in case.



I under-
stand.

I'd rather
go out and
catch the guy
myself...

...But the
police and
Maso told
me to stay
inside.



Oh,
and Kai?

Okay, I'll
call you if
anything
happens.



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Thanks.

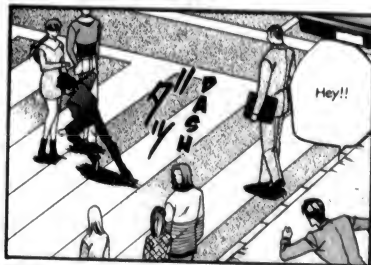


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Both Enryoji
and I hope
you're okay.
Don't forget
that.

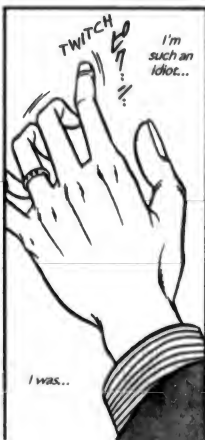








...Going
to give him
the ring
today...

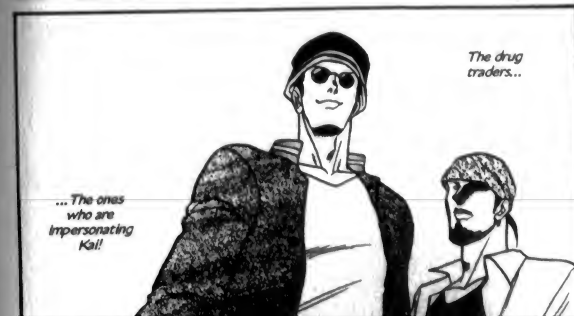


I'm
such an
idiot...

I was...



These
are...



The drug
traders...

...The ones
who are
impersonating
Kai!

*Come
home soon,
Enjiya!..*

*It's too
dangerous
out there.*

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